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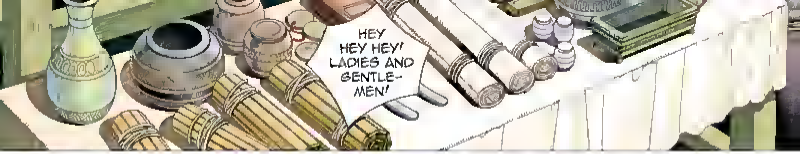
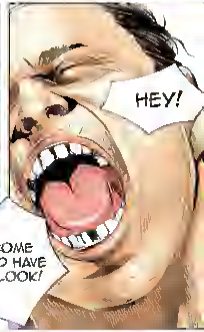
SEARCHING FOR THE GRAND MASTER TANG SANZANG

THEY'VE BEEN WAGING MANY WARS AGAINST EACH OTHER, AND EACH HAD THEIR FAIR SHARE OF VICTORIES.
DI SHI TIAN, THE LEADER OF DEVA, HAD ALWAYS BEEN FIGHTING THE ASURA'S TRIBE LED BY THE FOUR KINGS OF ASURA FOR THOUSANDS OF YEARS.


HEY HEY HEY! LADIES AND GENTLE-MEN!

WHAT'S THIS?

I HAVE LOTS OF GOOD ITEMS IN STORE!


HEY!
COME AND HAVE A LOOK!

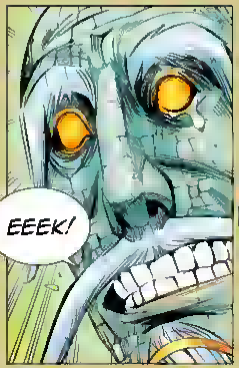
CHANG'AN CITY

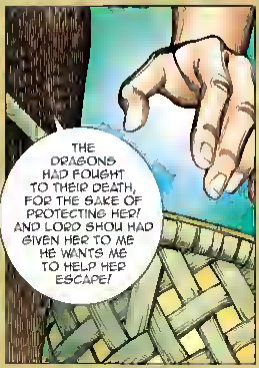
STEP

HAH...
HOW MUCH IS THIS?
TEN CENTS.
GIVE ME A CHEAPER PRICE

T/N "TU DI" IN "TU DI GONG" = LOCAL EARTH GOD (PAGE 8 IN CHAPTER 1)

HEY, LIL' BAI.
I'M GLAD TO SEE THAT YOU'RE ALRIGHT.
.....
POFF
PWOOF
AAH!
GRAMPS!
DO YOU KNOW ABOUT THAT? THE DEVA ARMY HAD ATTACKED THE DRAGON PALACE
I KNOW THE REASON!
SIGH I DID SNEAK IN TO TAKE A LOOK IT'S A HORRIBLE SIGHT
I WON DER WHAT THE DRAGON KING DID TO OFFEND DI SHI TIAN AND CAUSING SUCH CALAMITY TO BEFALL ONTO THEM!
THE DRAGON TRIBE OF TIAN YU MOUNTAIN HAVE BEEN COMPLETELY ANNIHILATED
AND THEY KILLED THE DRAGON KING - AND THE OTHERS AS WELL


EEEK!


THE DRAGONS HAD FOUGHT TO THEIR DEATH, FOR THE SAKE OF PROTECTING HER! AND LORD SHOU HAD GIVEN HER TO ME HE WANTS ME TO HELP HER ESCAPE!

YOU DO?

DI SHI TIAN IS LOOKING FOR THE SUTRA

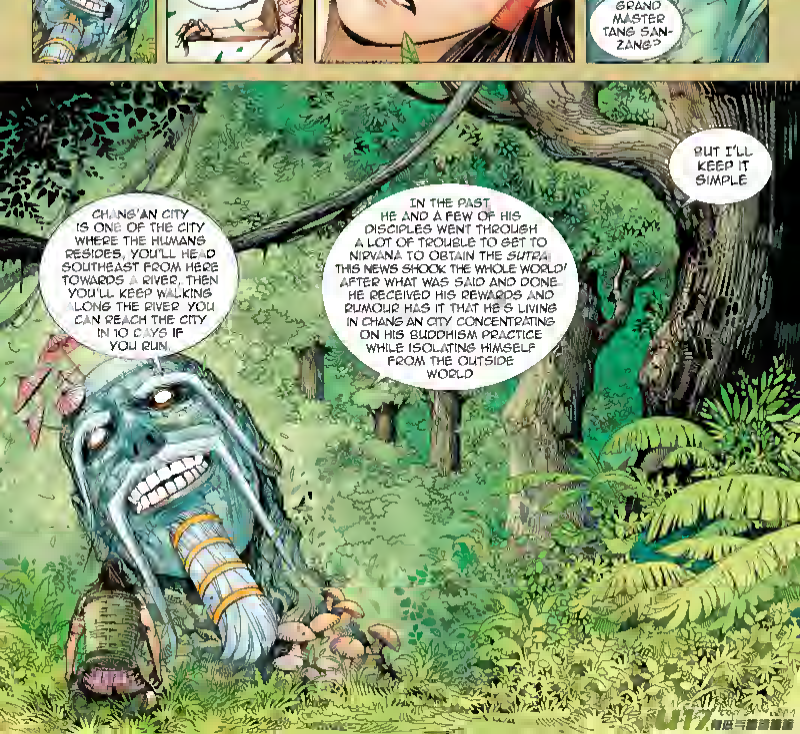
THUD

WAIT! GRANDPA TU DI!

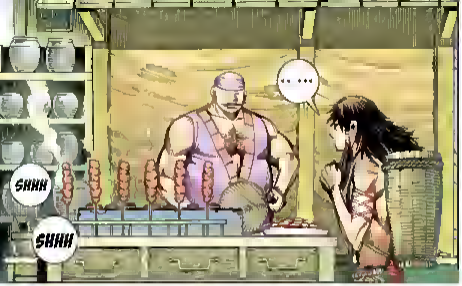
!
LIL' BAI! YOU'VE NEVER SEEN ME BEFORE!
I DON'T WANT ANY TROUBLE LOOKING FOR ME!

I BEG YOU! DON'T GO! LISTEN TO ME FOR A MOMENT!
LORD SHOU HAD TOLD ME TO FIND A PERSON A PERSON NAMED TANG SANZANG!

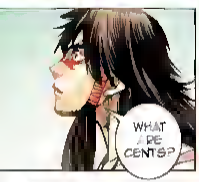
URGH ALRIGHT ALRIGHT
BUT FIRST YOU HAVE TO LET GO OF MY NOSE
SNIFF HAH ABOUT THE GRAND MASTER IT IS NOT SOMETHING I CAN EXPLAIN IN JUST A MERE FEW MINUTES
SORRY
YEAH' PLEASE TELL ME... HOW COULD I FIND HIM
DO YOU KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT HIM?
GRAND MASTER TANG SANZANG?

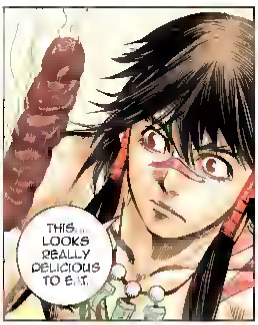

CHANG'AN CITY IS ONE OF THE CITY WHERE THE HUMANS RESIDES, YOU'LL HEAD SOUTHEAST FROM HERE TOWARDS A RIVER, THEN YOU'LL KEEP WALKING ALONG THE RIVER. YOU CAN REACH THE CITY IN 10 DAYS IF YOU RUN
IN THE PAST HE AND A FEW OF HIS DISCIPLES WENT THROUGH A LOT OF TROUBLE TO GET TO NIRVANA TO OBTAIN THE SUTRA THIS NEWS SHOOK THE WHOLE WORLD! AFTER WHAT WAS SAID AND DONE HE RECEIVED HIS REWARDS AND RUMOUR HAS IT THAT HE'S LIVING IN CHANG AN CITY CONCENTRATING ON HIS BUDDHISM PRACTICE WHILE ISOLATING HIMSELF FROM THE OUTSIDE WORLD
BUT I'LL KEEP IT SIMPLE

LIL' CAI, WAIT A MOMENT!
I'LL GET GOING
HMM.
OH?
THANKS A LOT, GRAMPS.
YOU'VE NEVER BEEN IN CONTACT WITH A HUMAN BEFORE SO YOU DON'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT THEM. THEY'RE BRILLIANT CREATURES. YOU CAN'T JUST WALK IN THERE WITHOUT ANY PREPARATION!
PREPARATION?

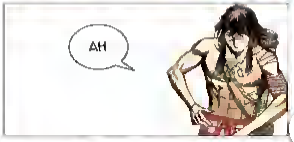

SHHH
SHHH
.....

COME AND TRY IT! IT'S JUST 5 CENTS PER STICK!


WHAT ARE CENTS?


THIS... LOOKS REALLY DELICIOUS TO EAT.

IT'S PRETTY LIVELY HERE
THERE'S SO MANY THINGS TH AT I'VE NEVER SEEN BEFORE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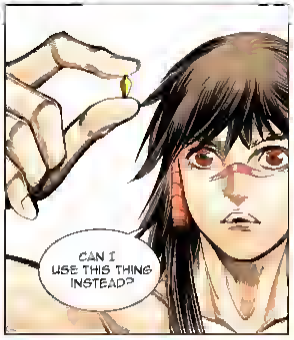

CAN I USE THIS THING INSTEAD?

THEN ARE YOU HERE TO CAUSE TROUBLE? GO AWAY!
STOP BOTHERING ME WHILE I'M DOING MY BUSINESS HERE!

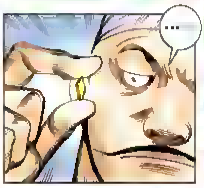
IT'S THIS OF COURSE
DO YOU HAVE IT OR NOT?
DING
PING

NO

PLOP

IT'S REAL GOLD
THAT'S GOLD!
WHY DON'T YOU COME TO OUR PLACE INSTEAD!

HM?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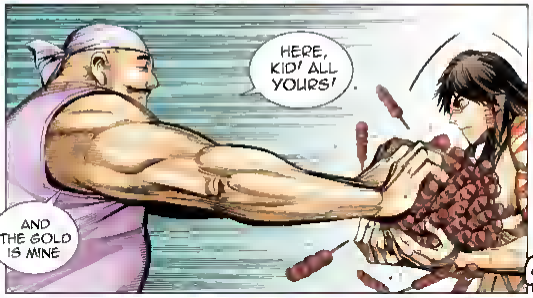
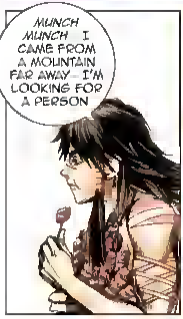
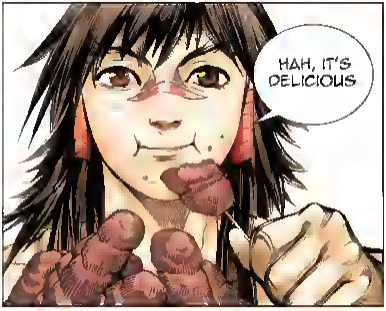
HEY! LOOK!


HERE, KID! ALL YOURS!
AND THE GOLD IS MINE

SIZZLE

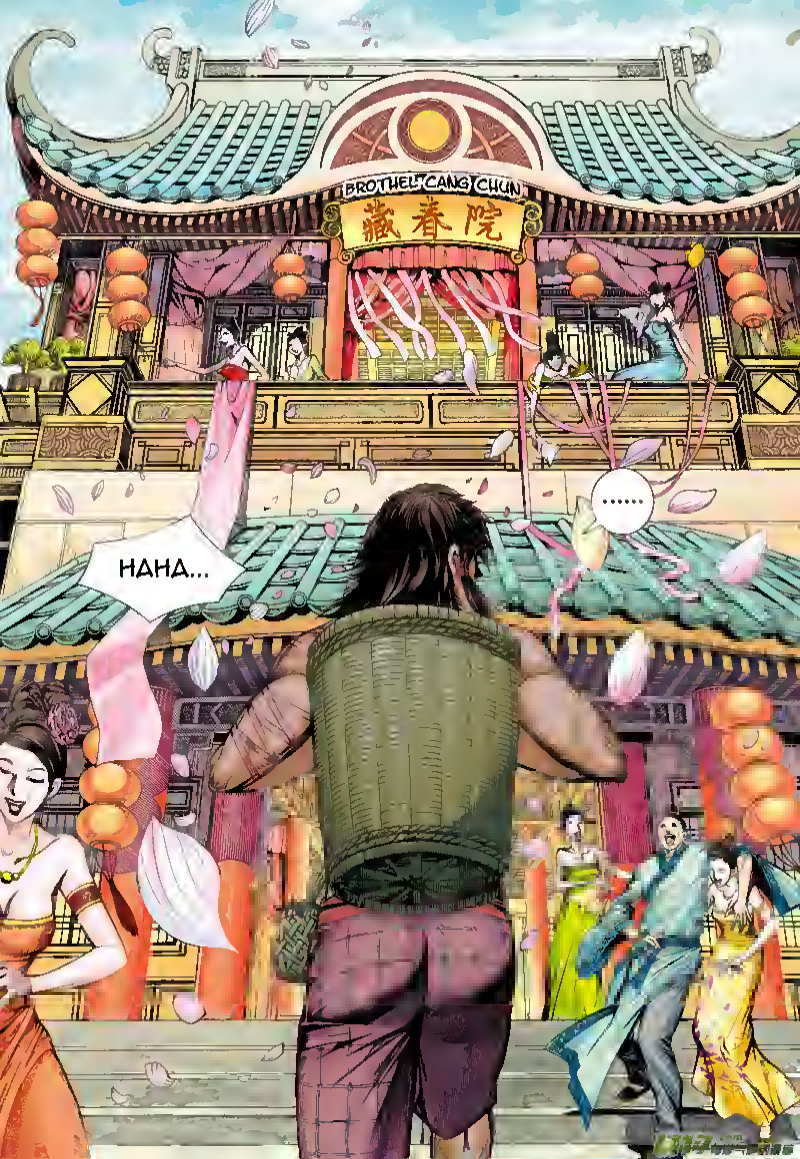

MUNCH MUNCH I CAME FROM A MOUNTAIN FAR AWAY - I'M LOOKING FOR A PERSON

HEY KID! YOU DON'T LOOK LIKE A LOCAL! WHERE DID YOU COME FROM?


HAH, IT'S DELICIOUS

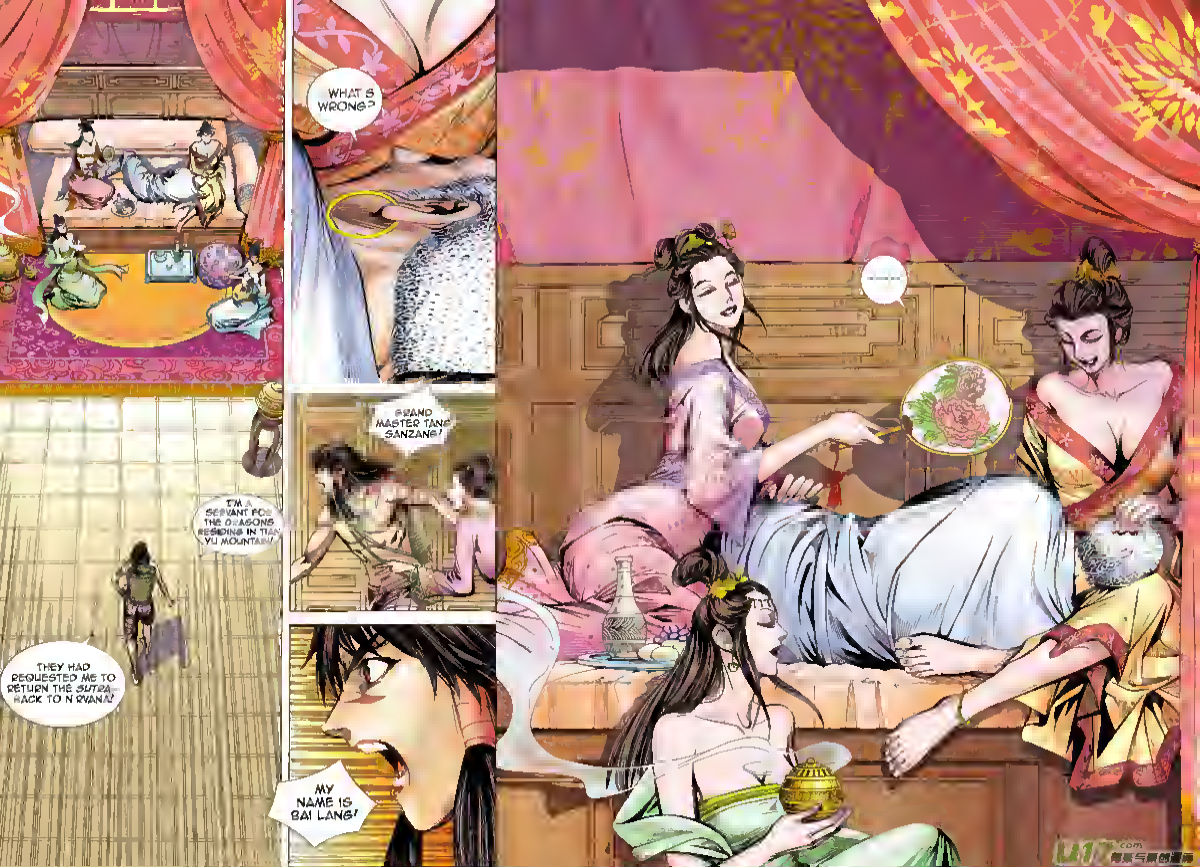
TANG SANZANG?
DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE... WITH THE NAME OF TANG SANZANG?
OLD MAN.
.....
HMPH.
.....
HMPH, THERE'S NO REASON FOR ME TO NOT KNOW ABOUT HIM. THE PEOPLE IN CHANG'AN HAS SO MUCH "GRATITUDE" FOR HIM.
DO YOU KNOW ABOUT HIM? IF YOU DO... PLEASE TELL ME
I HEARD HE'S CURRENTLY CONCENTRATING ON HIS BUDDHISM PRACTICE
WHERE IS HE?
SINCE I WAS ABLE TO FINISH MY BUSINESS EARLIER TODAY BECAUSE OF YOU, I'LL TELL YOU

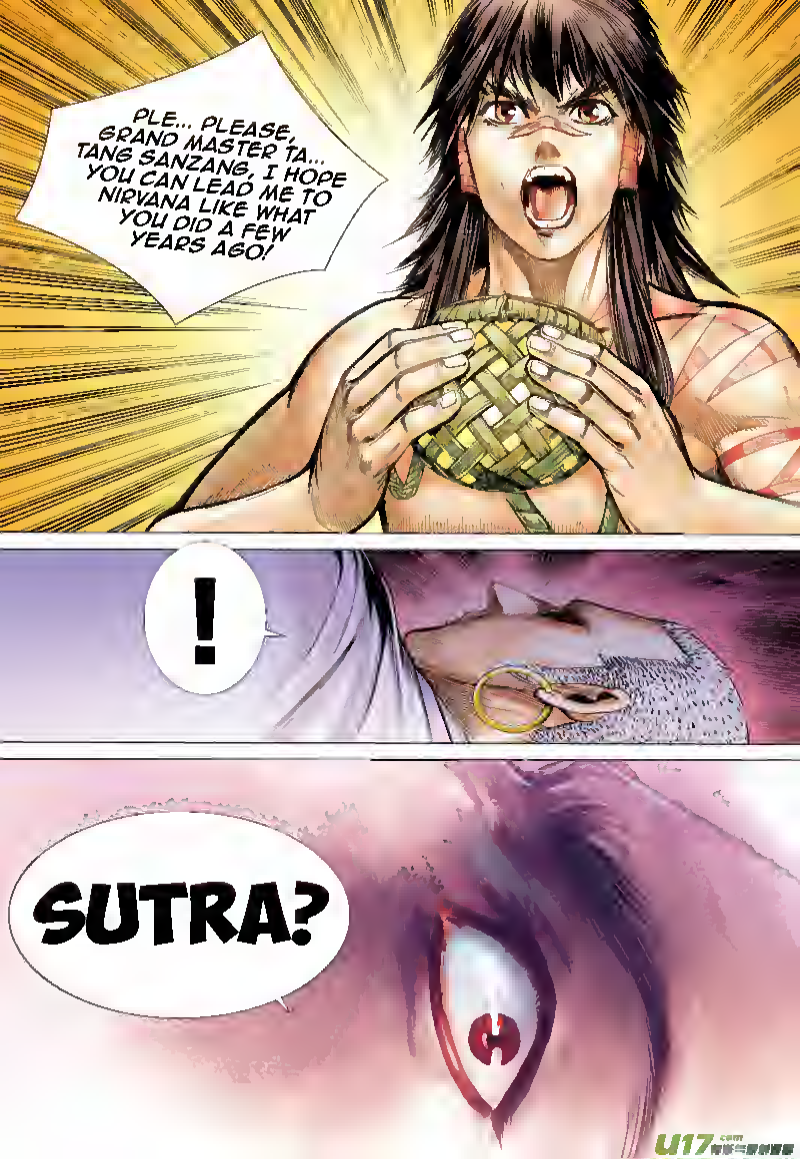
HE'S RIGHT THERE
FOLLOW THE MAIN STREET TILL THE END THEN TURN RIGHT AND ANOTHER RIGHT
YOU'LL SEE A BIG BUILDING THAT'S IN RED AND BLUE. THAT'S THE TOWN'S BIGGEST BROTHEL.
OH...
WHAT'S A BROTHEL?
HEE
NO! YOU'RE SO MEAN!
HEHE
HEH...
HAHA...


BROTHEL CANG CHUN
藏春院
HAHA...
.....

HEY, KID.
!
THONK
THONK
THIS IS IT.
.....
FUCK OFF!
CANG CHUN ISN'T A PLACE FOR BEGGARS LIKE YOU
DING
I LOVE YOU! BUY ME A JADE NECKLACE!

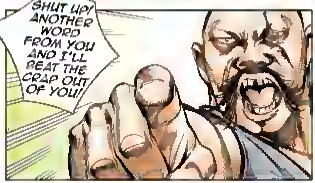
I'M LOOKING FOR GRAND MASTER TANG SANZANG
THERE HAVEN'T BEEN MANY CUSTOMERS AS YOUNG AS YOU HERE LATELY BY LOOKING AT YOUR REFINED APPEARANCE, I'M SURE YOU'RE THE TYPE THAT DO WHATEVER AS YOU PLEASE WHAT KIND OF GIRLS DO YOU LIKE?
HEH...
YOU'RE MAKING THIS HARD...
IS THAT SO... I'LL GO ASK HIM.
AH... I UNDERSTAND NOW. BROTHEL IS A PLACE FOR HUMANS TO MATE AND SOCIALIZE.
THAT'S REALLY BRILLIANT, THEY EVEN PREPARED A FACILITY FOR THAT.
Boing
BUT THAT'S OUR BOSS... HE'S NOT SOMEONE YOU COULD SIMPLY MEET...
I'LL GIVE YOU TWO MORE GOLD PIECES
AH... THAT.
YOU STAY HERE

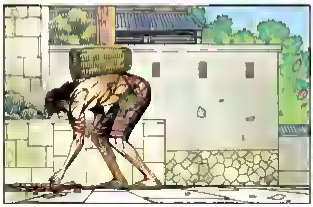

WHAT'S WRONG?
GRAND MASTER TANG SANZANG!
I'M A SERVANT FOR THE DRAGONS RESIDING IN THIS YU MOUNTAIN!
THEY HAD REQUESTED ME TO RETURN THE SUTRA-BACK TO NYANU!
MY NAME IS BAI LANG!

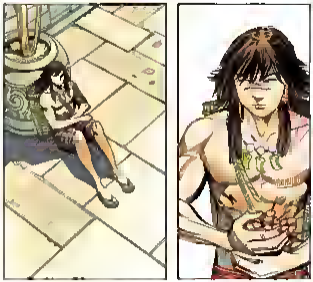

PLE... PLEASE, GRAND MASTER TA... TANG SANZANG, I HOPE YOU CAN LEAD ME TO NIRVANA LIKE WHAT YOU DID A FEW YEARS AGO!
!
SUTRA?

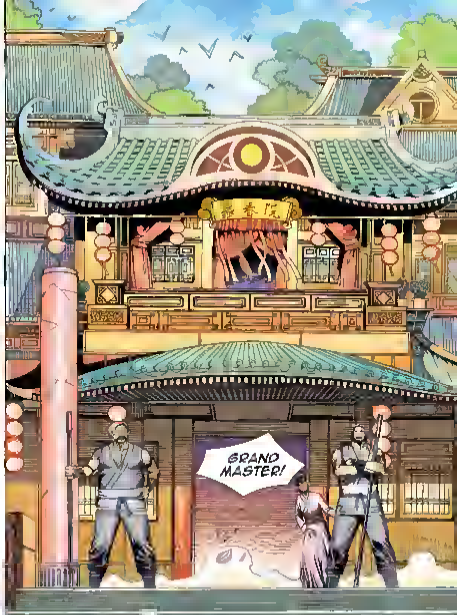
HONG
PLEASE! SUTRA HAS HER OWN FORM OF LIFE AS WELL! SHE'S CALLED XIAOYU, SHE'S MY BEST FRIEND!
THE DRAGONS IN TIAN YU MOUNTAIN HAD BEEN WIPED OUT BY DI SHI TIAN FOR THE SAKE OF PROTECTING HER!
YOU'VE FOUND THE WRONG GUY. GO AWAY
CLENCH
RIDICULOUS

I WILL LOSE HER SOONER OR LATER IF YOU DON'T HELP ME!
I BEG YOU TO LEAD ME!
FUCK, DIDN'T YOU HEAR ME? I TOLD YOU TO LEAVE!
HMPH!
ARGH!
GRAND MASTER!
PLEASE ACCEPT MY REQUEST!
.....
THUD
THUD
THUD


SHUT UP! ANOTHER WORD FROM YOU AND I'LL BEAT THE CRAP OUT OF YOU!!

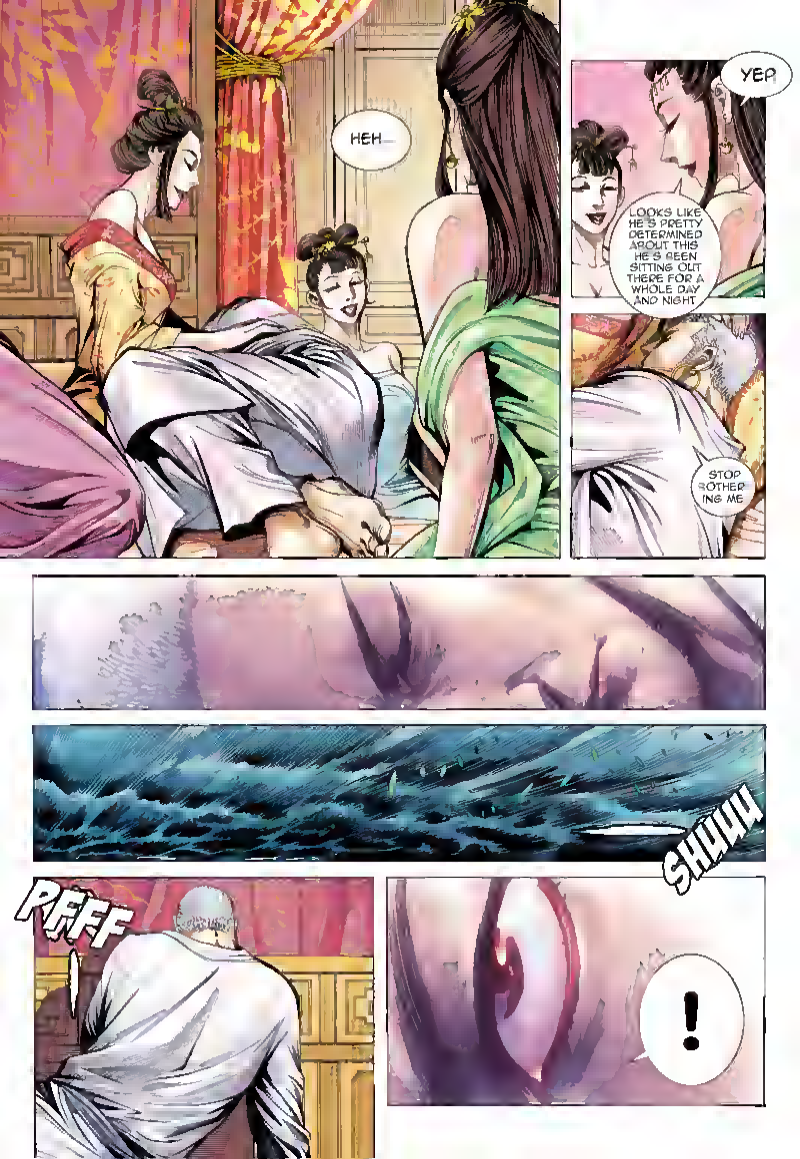


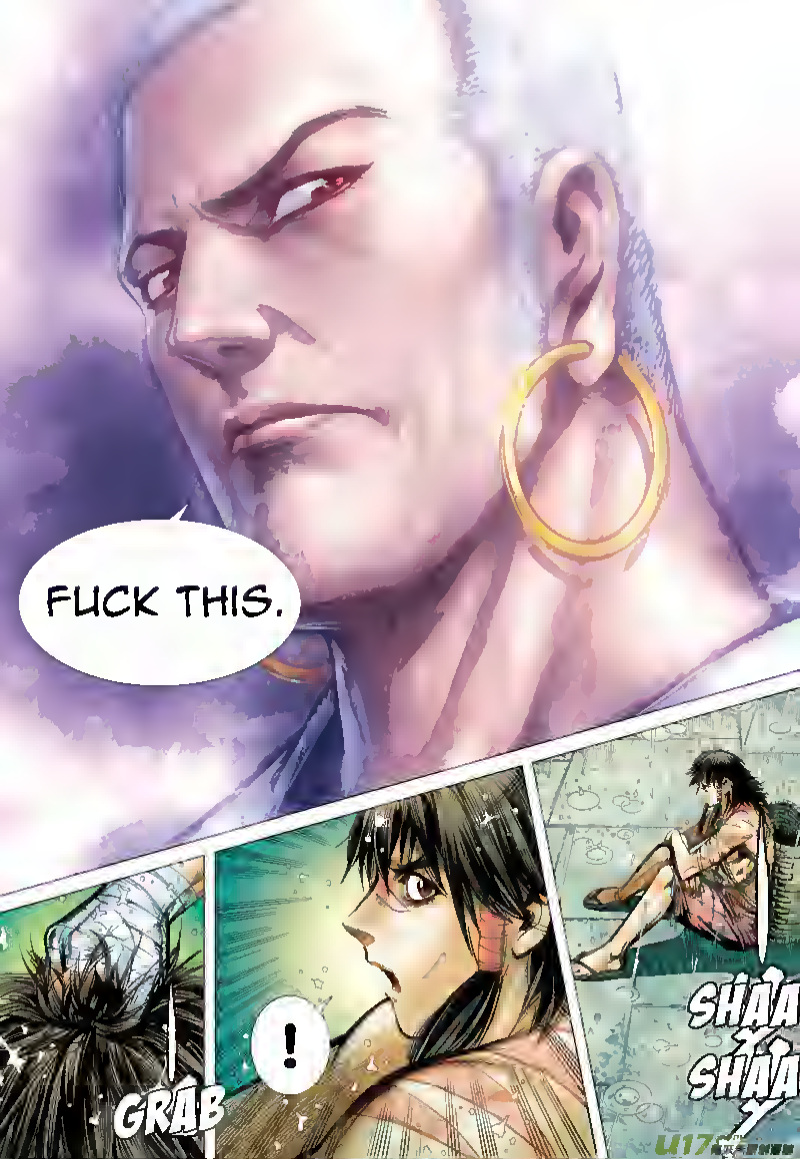



GRAND MASTER!

PLEASE COME OUT! IF YOU DON'T ACCEPT MY REQUEST... I WON'T LEAVE!

XIAO YU...
MUNCH
MUNCH
BUT, PLEASE REST ASSURED. I'LL BE WAITING. THE GRAND MASTER IS A GREAT MAN, HE'LL DEFINITELY HELP YOU.
BUT HE'S STILL CONCENTRATING ON HIS STUDIES, SO HE'S NOT ABLE TO ACCEPT MY REQUEST FOR NOW.
I FINALLY SAW THE GRAND MASTER TANG SANZANG! FINALLY, THERE'S A BIT OF HOPE!
DRIP
DROP
SHAA SHAA
IS HE STILL THERE?
IT'S RAINING
AH...


HEH...
YEP.
LOOKS LIKE HE'S PRETTY DETERMINED ABOUT THIS. HE'S BEEN SITTING OUT THERE FOR A WHOLE DAY AND NIGHT.
STOP BOTHERING ME.
SHUUU
RFFF
!

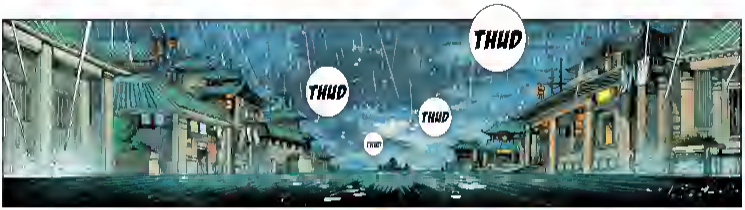

FUCK THIS.
GRAB
!
SHAA
SHAA

YOU WANT ME TO GO ON A JOURNEY TO THE WEST AGAIN? WHAT A FUCKING JOKE!
GRAND MASTER! EVERYBODY'S BEEN SAYING THAT IF THE SUTRA FALLS INTO THE HANDS OF DI SHI TIAN... LOTS OF BAD THINGS IS GOING TO HAPPEN!
SO WHAT ABOUT IT? IT'S GOT NOTHING TO DO WITH ME!
YOU'RE THE ONE WHO BROUGHT XIAO YU BACK HERE! IT'S GOT EVERYTHING TO DO WITH YOU!
GRAND MASTER!
WHEN I TELL YOU TO LEAVE I MEANT GET THE FUCK OUT OF MY SIGHT!
IT'S MEANINGLESS FOR YOU TO KEEP BOTHERING ME!

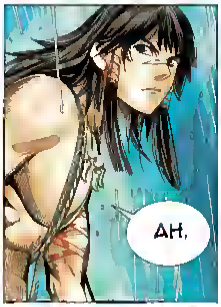
LEAVE NOW! LEAVE CHANG'AN CITY!
THE FURTHER THE BETTER!
GRAND MASTER... DID YOU NOT CARE AT ALL... ABOUT THE LIFE AND DEATH OF OTHERS?
GRANDPA TU DI SAID THAT YOU WERE A KIND PERSON! A PERSON WITH COMPASSION FOR ALL MANKIND!
I'VE FORGOTTEN EVERYTHING THAT'S IN THE PAST. SO DON'T MENTION IT IN FRONT OF ME AGAIN!
LET ME TELL YOU THIS! I AM NOW LIVING A PEACEFUL LIFE WITHOUT CARE AND TROUBLE. I DON'T WANT ANY TROUBLE LOOKING FOR ME AGAIN!

COM-
PASSION
FOR ALL
MANKIND?
AH...
HAHAHAHA
HAHAHAHA...
OH MY!
I CAN'T
STAND IT!
IT'S SO
FUNNY!
THE TANG
SANZANG BACK
THEN HAD DIED,
DO YOU NOT
UNDERSTAND
THAT? A PERSON
WHO HAD A NAIVE
BELIEF LIKE THAT
DOESN'T EXIST
IN THIS WORLD
REALITY IS CRUEL!
THERE ARE THINGS
YOU CAN'T DO NO
MATTER WHAT. EVEN
WITH ME TAGGING
ALONG WITH YOU
IT'S IMOSSIBLE
TO REACH NIRVANA
IN THE WEST AND
RETURN THE SUTRA
IF YOU WANT
TO CONTINUE TO
LIVE, LEAVE THE
SUTRA BEHIND AND
FORGET ABOUT IT,
STOP DREAMING
ABOUT SAVING
THE WORLD
LIVING WITH-
OUT DREAMS
WHAT A
SORROWFUL
LIFE THAT IS

GRAND MASTER, DID YOU NOT HAVE THE SAME DREAM AS WELL?
.....
!
SHAA
SHAA
...
FOLLOWING OUR HEARTS – OUR GOALS. MOVING FORWARD WITHOUT HESITATION – I'M SURE EVEN THE GRAND MASTER HAS HAD THAT KIND OF EXPERIENCE BEFORE – OR ELSE YOU WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO COMPLETE YOUR QUEST ON GOING TO NIRVANA AND RETRIEVING THE SUTRA. DID YOU EVER THINK IT WAS IMPOSSIBLE BACK THEN?


THUD
THUD
THUD
THUD

IS IN THE HANDS OF A WOLF EVERYBODY'S BEEN LOOKING FOR HIM, THE REWARD FOR CAPTURING HIM IS NOT A SMALL ONE HEHEHE
THE SUTRA
HUFF
GRRR
GRRRHH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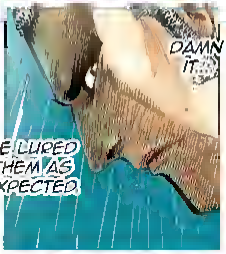
DAMN IT...
HE LURED THEM AS EXPECTED.

I HEARD THAT...

*T/N: JIN'GANG = BUDDHA'S WARRIOR ATTENDANT. ZHI'XIAN JIN'GANG IS SAID TO BE ONE THAT OPENS PEOPLE'S MIND SO THEY CAN BE KIND AND ARE ABLE TO SEE THINGS/THE WORLD IN A HIGHER LEVEL.

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GOING ABOVE AND BEYOND FOR
ALL READERS.

A WORD OF THANKS FROM THE MAIN CHARACTERS OF THE PAST TWO BOOKS.

Qing - "Thank You! We can accomplish anything together."

Ryan - "Your Soul belongs to me and now your wallet too!"

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